

In the Specification:

Page 1, after the Title, insert the following one-line paragraph centered on the page:

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 1, after the above addition, insert the following one-line paragraph:

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1. Field of the Invention

Page 1, insert the following one-line paragraph before line 10:

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2. State of the Art

Page 1, after line 15, insert the following one-line paragraph centered on the page:

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 11, rewrite the paragraph at line 12, as follows:

The invention will now be further described in a specific embodiment, by way of example only, and with reference to the accompanying drawings.

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Page 11, after the above paragraph replacement, insert the following one-line paragraph centered on the page:

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 13, before line 1, insert the following one-line paragraph centered on the page:

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Page 13, rewrite the paragraph at line 1, as follows:

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Referring to the drawings, and initially to Figure 1, the children's toy cube building block (generally designated 1) comprises a tubular moulded plastics body 2 having integrally moulded face panels 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d defining a unitary wall around an internal void region. Face panels 2b and 2d are provided with respective two by two arrays of block-to-block connection formations, panel 2b being provided with all-male cylindrical studs 3 and face panel 2d including a corresponding array of cylindrical recesses 4 (Fig. 2a). The shape, dimension and special configuration of studs 3 and recesses 4 is such that the array of studs 3 on face 2b of first toy building block can matingly engage in releasable push fitting engagement with a complimentary array of recesses for an adjacently connected building block. Similarly, recesses 4 on face panel 2d receive an array of studs on a further adjacently connected building block.

Please rewrite the paragraph at page 13, line 26, as follows:

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Referring to Fig. 1, 1a and 2a, a recessed shoulder 14 is provided around each respective open end of the tubular element 2, the recessed shoulder being enlarged at respective corner bosses

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5, each of which is provided with a blind bore 6. The upper surface of the shoulders 14 are provided with respective elongate slots 11.

Please rewrite the paragraph at page 14, line 1, as follows:

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Referring to Figs. 3a, 3b, 4a and 4b, separate end wall panels 7, 8 of moulded plastics construction are provided with integrally moulded pins 9 shaped, dimensioned and configured to matingly engage in push fit connection with respective blind bores 6 provided in the bosses 5 of the recessed shoulder 14. The longitudinal edges of the separate face panels 7, 8 are provided with downwardly extending integrally moulded tabs 12 shaped, dimensioned and configured to matingly engage in push fit connection with respective slots 11 provided in the recessed shoulder 14. When push fit mated into the respective bores 6 and slots 11, the pins 9 and tabs 12 ensure that the respective end face panel 7, 8 is securely (and effectively permanently) secured to the tubular element 2 and effectively closing the hollow interior of the block.

Please rewrite the paragraph at page 15, line 22, as follows:

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A further important feature relates to the arrangement and configuration of the male studs 3 and female sockets 4. As shown most clearly in figure 2b, the studs 3 and sockets 4 on the male and female gender face panels are spaced from one another by a distance of substantially $2x$, where x is the distance between the edge of the panel and the nearest extremity of a respective stud 3